

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| A Applicants : | | Yukari Hirata et al. | . |
| Serial No. : | 10/590,586 | Case No.: BY0040P | . |
| Filed : | August 24, 2006 | | . |
| For : | Diaryl-Substituted Five-Membered Heterocycle Derivative | | . |
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Official action of March 24, 2010, for which a reply is due by June 24, 2010, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this response.